plans for development of civil aviation for individual States. However, adequate attention is paid to the civil aviation needs of each State while undertaking development work.

In respect of State of Uttar Pradesh the Airports Authority of India has made plans for development of airports at Lucknow and Varanasi at an estimated cost of Rs. 95.44 crores and Rs. 111.40 crores, respectively.

As regards air connectivity, 5 cities in the State are connected by regular flights. Three of these cities viz. Kanpur, Allahabad and Gorakhpur have been brought back on aviation map in recent past.

New International Airport at Navi Mumbai

585. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR:
SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:
PROF. R.B.S. VARMA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the progress so far made in clearance of the project proposal for setting up an International airport at Navi Mumbai from different authorities concerned;

(b) the salient features of the project, the infrastructure connected therewith and the estimated cost thereof; and

(c) the details of its implementation schedule, so as to be able to meet the growing traffic needs of Mumbai by 2010-11?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) A proposal has been received from Government of Maharashtra seeking 'In principle' approval to build an airport at Navi Mumbai. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has signed an agreement with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) to carry out Simulation Study of conflict free operations for existing airport at Mumbai and proposed airport at Navi Mumbai in coordination with AAI. State Government has been requested to firm up the exact location of the airport and take the necessary clearances.

(b) and (c) It would not be possible to indicate the salient features as well as the cost estimate of the project as these can be worked out only after the Simulation Study is completed and the feasibility of the project is determined.

Overhauling of Airports in MP, Karnataka and Chhattisgarh

†586. SHRI MOTILAL VORA:
SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the airports in the country especially in Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Chhattisgarh proposed to be identified by Government for overhauling and to bring them upto international standard;

(b) whether Government would also fix time frame to complete the construction work of these airports, if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the total expenditure likely to be incurred in the construction of each of it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (c) Improvement, development and upgradation of infrastructure facilities at the airports is a continuous process and is taken up in a phased manner depending upon traffic demand, availability of land, resources etc. AAI has proposed the development of airports at Khajuraho, Bhopal, Indore and Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh) with an estimated cost of Rs. 86.78 crores, Rs. 58.65 crores, Rs. 10 crores and Rs. 7.46 crore respectively; Mangalore, Hubli, Belgaum, Bangalore and Mysore (Karnataka) with an estimated cost of Rs. 55.26 crores, Rs. 15 crores, Rs. 15 crores, Rs. 10.50 crores and Rs. 49 crores respectively; Raipur (Chhattisgarh) with an estimated cost of Rs. 12.64 crores.

Norms of Passenger Aircraft Cockpit Door

587. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Directorate General of Civil Aviation has revised the norms for making the passenger aircraft cockpit doors bulletproof;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.